

- (b) if so, what appropriate measures IMG have suggested in this regard; and
- (c) what steps Government have taken, till date, to ensure that the domestic industry, including the SSIs, are not adversely affected in any manner in the wake of removal of QRs in the first phase beginning April 1, 2000?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (c) Government has constituted on 28.07.2000 an Inter-Ministerial Group under the chairmanship of Commerce Secretary, to assess the likely impact of removal of quantitative restrictions and to suggest suitable corrective measures. The Group is expected to make its recommendations before the end of the year.

Government is absolutely determined to ensure through appropriate use of the tariff and other mechanisms that imports do not cause any serious detriment or injury to the domestic industry due to removal of quantitative restrictions on imports. Towards that end, Government has already increased duties on a number of items where a surge in imports was noticed or apprehended. Besides, a Group of Ministers has been entrusted with the task of suggesting ways and means of strengthening the SSI sector.

Provision of low cost sanitation to certain towns of Orissa

*211. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some towns of Orissa have been identified for providing low cost sanitation facilities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the progress made in the towns of Orissa under the said programme?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (c)

Under the Centrally sponsored Low Cost Sanitation Scheme, 63 schemes have been sanctioned at a project cost of Rs. 1218.92 lakhs involving Government of India subsidy of Rs. 510.12 lakhs and HUDCO loan of Rs. 621.68 lakhs. Rs. 352.00 lakhs have been released to the State of Orissa as Government of India subsidy and Rs. 282.93 lakhs have been released as loan from HUDCO. 53,527 sanitary toilets have been sanctioned for conversion and construction in these 63 towns, out of which 48,274 units have been completed. 858 scavengers would be liberated with the completion of the sanctioned schemes. Town-wise details are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement			(Rupees in Lakhs)			
SI. No.	Name of Town	Project Cost	Subsidy Sanc tioned	Loan Sanc tioned	Subsidy Released	Loan Released
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	BAUDHGARH	18.02	8.11	9.01	3.72	4.88
2.	BALUGAON	17.81	7.57	9.13	5.68	6.85
3.	SURADA	8.31	3.74	4.16	2.81	3.12
4.	JAGATSINGHPUR	23.42	10.54	11.71	7.90	8.78
5.	ANANDPUR	14.62	3.83	4.27	2.19	2.44
6.	BARGARH	43.59	19.61	21.79	14.71	16.34
7.	KANTABANJI	13.30	5.99	6.65	7.48	4.99
8.	RAYAGADA	21.50	6.93	12.16	5.20	9.12
9.	SUNABEDA	23.65	8.85	12.76	6.64	9.57
10.	CHIKITI	17.80	8.01	8.90	6.01	6.68
11.	KAMAKHYANAGAR	10.98	4.94	5.49	3.71	4.12
12.	CHATRAPUR	15.88	7.14	7.94	5.35	5.96
13.	GUNUPUR	9.70	4.36	4.86	3.27	3.64
14.	TARBHA	8.87	3.99	4.44	2.99	3.33
15.	NAYAGARH	8.80	3.96	4.40	3.00	4.40
16.	ROURKELA	26.80	12.05	13.40	9.05	10.05
17.	UDALA	4.55	1.48	2.58	0.74	1.94
18.	CHOUDWAR	33.39	15.03	16.70	11.27	12.52
19.	BRAJRAJNAGAR	51.36	23.11	25.68	17.33	19.26
20.	PATNAGARH	17.30	7.00	9.05	5.25	6.79
21.	RAIRANGPUR	2.22	0.96	1.13	1.20	1.13
22.	UMERKOTE	39.94	2.22	2.47	1.11	2.47

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SONEPUR		13.35	6.01	6.68	4.51	5.01
KHARIAR		11.31	5.09	5.65	3.82	4.24
HIRAKUD		49.12	19.49	25.87	14.62	19.40
SUNDARGARH		26.99	12.14	13.49	9.11	0.00
KASHINAGAR		6.65	2.99	3.33	2.24	1.67
JALESWAR		6.65	2.99	3.32	2.24	1.66
GOPALPUR		13.39	5.86	6.75	4.40	3.38
NIMAPADA		6.74	3.03	3.37	2.27	0.00
BALIMELA		20.10	9.04	10.05	6.78	2.80
RAMBHA		8.95	2.71	5.19	2.03	2.60
RAJGANGPUR		36.68	16.51	18.34	12.38	4.59
MALKANGIRI		20.10	9.04	10.05	6.78	2.80
BASUDEVPUR		22.33	10.05	11.17	7.54	2.79
KHARIAR		1.71	3.62	6.73	2.72	0.00
ROURKELA		20.10	9.04	10.05	2.26	0.00
KONARK		11.09	3.95	5.76	2.96	0.00
BANKI		11.17	5.03	5.59	3.77	2.80
ASKA		18.22	8.20	9.11	6.15	3.04
PATTAMUNDAI		24.50	7.77	13.98	5.83	3.50
KARANJIA		4.99	2.24	2.49	1.68	1.25
BOLANGIR		67.96	17.99	40.76	13.49	30.57
JODA	24.56	11.05	12.28	8.29	3.07	
KHALLIKOTE		9.33	4.20	4.67	3.15	2.34
PADAMPUR		15.58	7.01	7.79	5.26	2.60
BARBIL		15.52	6.98	7.76	5.24	3.88
NOWRANGPUR		26.80	12.06	13.40	9.05	3.35
KABISURYANAGAR		24.26	10.92	12.13	8.19	0.00
POLASARA		14.69	6.61	7.34	4.96	3.67
JAIPUR		23.25	10.46	11.62	7.85	2.90
DIGAPAHANDI		37.31	14.94	18.61	11.21	5.15
BURLA		14.09	5.81	7.31	1.45	0.00
DHENKANAL		42.85	19.18	21.48	14.39	0.00
GANJAM		34.23	15.40	17.12	11.55	4.28
KODALA		14.59	6.56	7.30	1.64	0.00
JUNAGARH		2.42	1.08	1.21	0.81	0.61
ANGUL		15.13	6.81	7.58	1.70	0.00
KOTPAD		15.00	6.75	7.50	1.69	0.00
JAJPUR		27.58	12.41	13.79	9.30	6.90

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
61.	BELLAGUNTHA	10.00	3.72	4.50	5.00	1.12	0.00	0.00
62.	PARLEKHEMUNDI		9.10	15.17	16.86	0.00		3.70
63.	TITLAGARH			0.00	4.55	MOW		
TOTAL:		1218.92	510.12	621.68	352.00		282.93	

Merger of HSCL with SAIL

*212. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether HSCL is to be merged with SAIL;
- (b) if so, by when;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) in what respect VISL is considered better than HSCL for merger with SAIL?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJ KISHORE TRIPATHY): (a) No, Sir.

- (b) Not applicable in view of (a) above
- (c) HSCL is engaged in construction related activities while integrated plants of SAIL produce various types of steel.
- (d) VISL was a subsidiary of SAIL and was engaged in the production of special steels and ferro alloys; and therefore, had a better case for merger.

Admission of SC/ST Students in Indian Diamond Institute

*213. SHRI BIRABHADRA SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Dr. Ambedkar Birth Centenary Celebrations Committee recommended for ensuring admission of students from SC/ST community to the fullest extent of the quota of seats reserved for them in all the educational/academic institutions in the year 1993;